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Dear Mr. Hitz:

OMB has provided me a copy of your letter of September 29 to Jim Frey concerning my proposed response to the Senate Intelligence Committee's request, made at its hearing August 9, for an inter-agency review of the effect of S.2525 on the anti-terrorism capabilities of the U.S. Government. Your letter unfortunately seriously misrepresents the status of the document in question which is not based upon the views of the Office for Combatting Terrorism, but which is an analysis prepared entirely by the intelligence community. This study was undertaken, at my request, by the CCPC Subcommittee on Terrorism, chaired by CIA, and its Legal Problems Panel, chaired by the Justice Department.

It seems to me that it would still be useful to transmit this analysis to the Senate Intelligence Committee in the spirit of cooperation we have been trying to maintain and develop with it. In any event, I hope you will clarify to Jim Frey the fact that the Depattment's response is in fact a product of the intelligence community.

Sincerely yours,

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